Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 - 23 (cancelled)

Claim 24. (currently amended) A gasket for a fuel battery wherein a pair of parallel electrodes clamp an electrolyte membrane portion in between through the gasket that is secured in grooves formed in two opposing inner surfaces of the electrodes in the battery, the gasket comprises:

a first gasket lip made of a liquid rubber hardened material and adapted to be secured in a groove formed in one of said electrodes, said first gasket lip including a base portion having a rectangular shape in cross section and adapted to fit in said one groove and a first sealing portion having a given shape in cross section and projected outward from said base portion; and

a second gasket lip made of a liquid rubber hardened material and adapted to be secured in a groove formed in the other electrode, said second gasket lip including a base portion having a rectangular shape in cross section and adapted to fit in the groove in the other electrode and a second sealing portion having a given shape in cross section and projected outward from said base portion;

wherein said first and second sealing portions are arranged to oppose each other in said fuel battery to clamp said electrolyte membrane portion in between; and

The gasket for a battery according to claim 23, wherein said first sealing portion has a chevron shape in cross section and said second sealing portion has a trapezoidal shape in cross section.

Claim 25 (cancelled)

Claim 26. (currently amended) A gasket for a fuel battery wherein a pair of parallel electrodes clamp an electrolyte membrane portion in between through the gasket that is secured in grooves formed in two opposing inner surfaces of the electrodes in the battery, the gasket comprises:

a first gasket lip made of a liquid rubber hardened material and adapted to be secured in a groove formed in one of said electrodes, said first gasket lip including a base portion having a rectangular shape in cross section and adapted to fit in said one groove and a first sealing portion having a given shape in cross section and projected outward from said base portion; and

a second gasket lip made of a liquid rubber hardened material and adapted to be secured in a groove formed in the other electrode, said second gasket lip including a base portion having a rectangular shape in cross section and adapted to fit in the groove in the other electrode and a second sealing portion having a given shape in cross section and projected outward from said base portion;

wherein said first and second sealing portions are arranged to oppose each other in said fuel battery to clamp said electrolyte membrane portion in between; and

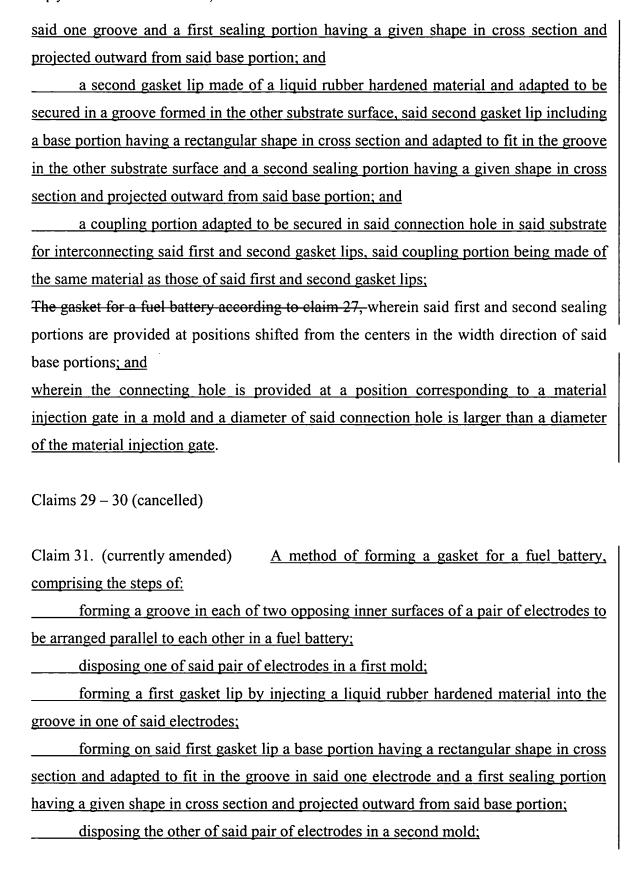
The gasket for a fuel battery according to claim 23, wherein said first and second sealing portions are provided at positions shifted from the centers in the width direction of said base portions.

Claim 27 (cancelled)

Claim 28. (currently amended)

A gasket for a fuel battery wherein a substrate adapted to fit in the fuel battery, said substrate having two opposite surfaces with a pair of grooves, each surface having one groove, said grooves being connected with each other through a connection hole in the substrate, and said gasket being secured in said grooves, said gasket comprises:

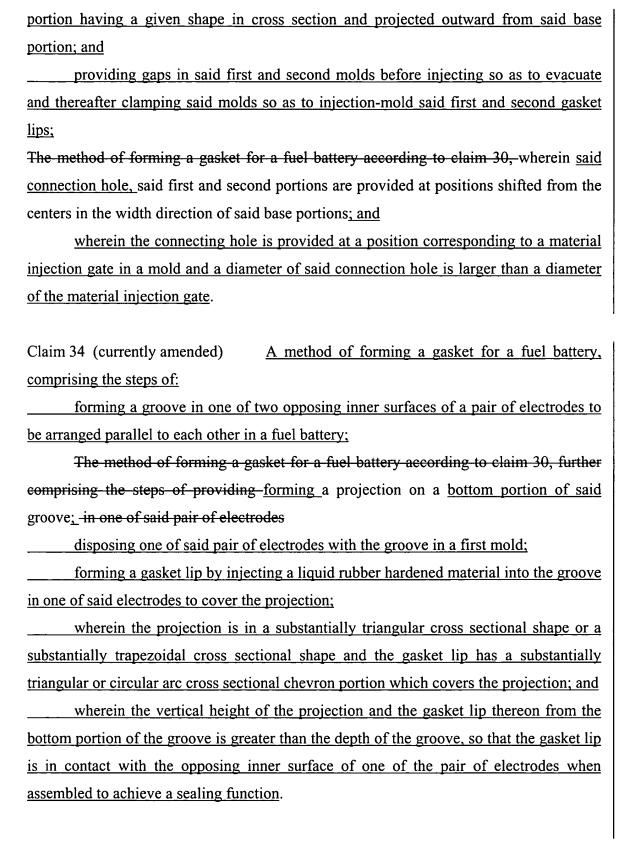
a first gasket lip made of a liquid rubber hardened material and adapted to be secured in a groove formed in one of said substrate surfaces, said first gasket lip including a base portion having a rectangular shape in cross section and adapted to fit in



cross section and adapted to fit in the groove in the other electrode and a second sealing

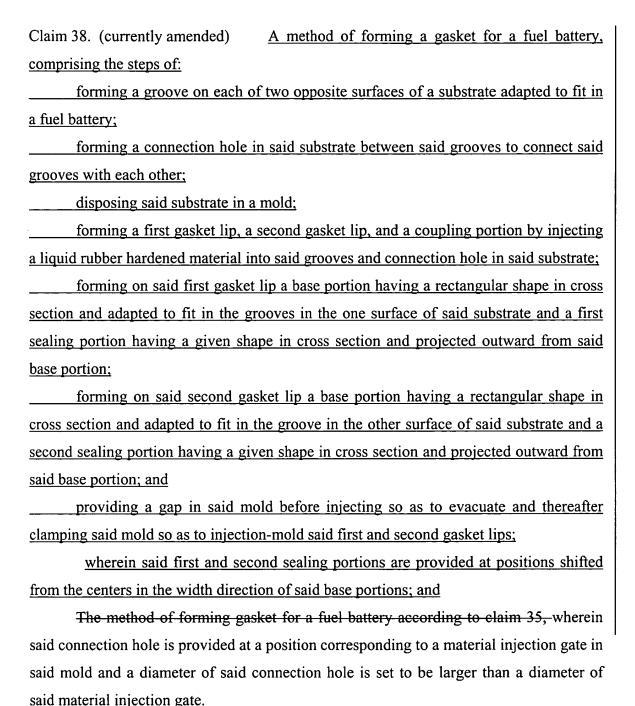
forming on said second gasket lip a base portion having a rectangular shape in

groove in the other electrodes;



Claims 35 - 37 (cancelled)

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Claims 39 - 40 (cancelled)

Claim 41. (new) A gasket for a fuel battery wherein a pair of parallel electrodes clamp an electrolyte membrane portion in between through the gasket that is secured on

each of two opposing inner surfaces of the electrodes in the battery, wherein a projection along a gasket lip line is integrally formed on said inner surface of the electrode, and the gasket lip is formed to cover said projection,

wherein an adhesive agent is applied around said projection; and

wherein the projection is in a substantially triangular cross sectional shape or a substantially trapezoidal cross sectional shape and the gasket lip has a substantially triangular or circular arc cross sectional chevron portion which covers the projection.

Claim 42. (new) The gasket for a fuel battery according to claim 41, wherein a groove is form in one of the opposing inner surfaces of the electrodes in the battery that faces the projection and gasket lip; and

wherein the vertical height of the projection and the gasket lip thereon from the inner surface of the electrode is greater than the depth of the groove, so that the gasket lip is in contact with the opposing inner surface of one of the pair of the electrodes when assembled to achieve a sealing function.